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Title: APPARATUS FOR APPLYING OPTICAL GRADIENT FORCES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants petition for a three month extension of time to submit the concurrently filed Request for Continued Examination and Amendment under 37 CFR 1.114 in connection with the referenced application, from February 21, 2006, to May 21, 2006.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the Extension Fees at the Small Entity Rate to deposit account 50-0951, as well as any additional fees or underpayment of fees which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, or, to credit thereto any overpayment made in connection with this matter.

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